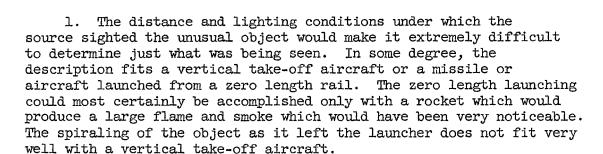
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT : Comments on Sighting of

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2. The very small amount of details given in the referenced report does not permit an identification of the object sighted. It does, however, tend to indicate that it was not a "flying saucer". In 1954, the Scientific Advisory Board to the Chief of Staff, USAF, appointed an ad hoc committee of three scientists to evaluate

The committee found that several factors had been overlooked or minimized in their development, such as payload, drag factors, and mechanical design problems, to such an extent that the committee recommended against support for the project. Air Force support of the project now is in basic research concerned with vertical thrust which modifies considerably the flying saucer concept.

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